# **BEARFACTS 1992 – 2002** Cherokee , Iowa [19035]

Cherokee is one of 99 counties in Iowa. It is not part of a Metropolitan Area. Its 2002 population of 12,542 ranked 63rd in the state.

### PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Cherokee had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$26,858. This PCPI ranked 30th in the state and was 96 percent of the state average, \$28,112, and 87 percent of the national average, \$30,821. The 2002 PCPI reflected an increase of 4.6 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 state change was 3.7 percent and the national change was 0.8 percent. In 1992 the PCPI of Cherokee was \$17,413 and ranked 53rd in the state. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.1 percent and for the nation was 4.0 percent.

#### TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Cherokee had a total personal income (TPI) of \$336,850\*. This TPI ranked 62nd in the state and accounted for 0.4 percent of the state total. In 1992 the TPI of Cherokee was \$243,398\* and ranked 59th in the state. The 2002 TPI reflected an increase of 2.1 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 state change was 3.7 percent and the national change was 1.8 percent. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of TPI was 3.3 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.5 percent and for the nation was 5.2 percent.

## COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Cherokee. In 2002 net earnings accounted for 57.1 percent of TPI (compared with 60.7 in 1992); dividends, interest, and rent were 23.0 percent (compared with 23.0 in 1992); and personal current transfer receipts were 19.9 percent (compared with 16.4 in 1992). From 2001 to 2002 net earnings increased 2.8 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 7.7 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 14.1 percent. From 1992 to 2002 net earnings increased on average 2.7 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 3.3 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.3 percent.

#### EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Cherokee increased from \$209,159\* in 2001 to \$214,366\* in 2002, an increase of 2.5 percent. The 2001-2002 state change was 3.2 percent and the national change was 2.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1992 estimate of \$169,177\* to the 2002 estimate was 2.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.5 percent and for the nation was 5.4 percent.

\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.

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